

SERVICES THROUGH THE OHIO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

CONCEALED WEAPON PERMITS	Concealed pistol and/or revolver permits are available to residents of Ohio County through our Office. Any person applying for a permit must meet the qualifications as established by the State of Kentucky. See Web Site listed in Contact Information.
WEAPON APPLICATIONS	CCW applications can be obtained at the Sheriff's Department. A certificate of firearms training must be presented in person along with your Kentucky operator's license or I.D. card and also a photo. Applications will be accepted Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.
FIREARM INSTRUCTOR	Steve Slaughter 6809 HWY 62 East Beaver Dam, KY 42320 (270) 274-5953
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM	Neighborhood watch programs are provided to areas within Ohio County to help reduce crime. Citizens assist in monitoring suspicious activities around their homes and also their neighbors. Currently there are seven watch programs with 181 participants enrolled.
MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION	To obtain a title, all vehicles coming from out-of-state to in-state and vehicle titles of origin as well as rebuilds must have a sheriff's inspection. You must have a copy of your driver's license and title. A charge of \$5.00 is made at the time of inspection. On-site inspection is also provided as requested with an additional charge.
PROPERTY TAX COLLECTION	Sheriff's Departments in the Commonwealth of Kentucky are a "fee service" entity. That is, we derive much of our operating expenses from the fees and taxes we collect. The Ohio County Sheriff's Department collects approximately \$6 million in taxes annually. This includes all personal property tax, coal severance tax, and franchise tax. Our clerical staff's proficiency (averaging an approximate annual 99.5% collection rate) and the concern they exhibit in carrying out their tasks have earned them the respect of both their constituents and the taxpayers they serve.
SERVICE OF CIVIL PROCESS	The Sheriff's Department Deputies are responsible to serve civil papers for the courts and attorneys throughout the county.
PRISONER TRANSPORT	Officers transport prisoners upon request of the courts for hearings and other services as needed within the state and from other states.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND REPORTS	Traffic accidents are investigated 24/7 as needed. Assistance is available in the Sheriff's office to help file an accident report. A copy of an accident report or information may be obtained from a deputy clerk during office hours.
DRUG ERADICATION AND INTERVENTION	A special narcotics division employs two full-time officers to reduce drug related crimes in the county. A continuing effort to locate and eradicate methamphetamine labs and marijuana growth has been a primary objective for this division and the department.
COURT SECURITY FOR DISTRICT, CIRCUIT & FAMILY COURTS	Security services provided by the Ohio County Sheriff's Department fulfill a statutory mandate (KRS 70.140) in providing deputies (bailiffs) in each session of the Ohio Circuit, District and Family Courts. There is one (1) full-time sworn deputy and one (1) part-time sworn deputy and court security personnel permanently assigned to these divisions. Their duties include: courtroom security, establishing and maintaining emergency communication systems (between the courtrooms and the Emergency Dispatch Center), and prisoner handling/transportation.
CRIMINAL SUMMONS, WARRANTS, AND SUBPOENAS	Officers are assigned criminal process to serve and execute documents as directed by the court.
ROAD PATROL AND TRAFFIC COMPLIANCE	Officers patrol over 600 miles of county roads to enforce highway safety laws and create visibility throughout the county.
BURGLARIES AND HOME INVASIONS	Deputies are available to investigate cases which involve thefts and burglaries. Please call the Sheriff's office or Dispatch.
CERTIFIED EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM	Volunteers are trained to take care of themselves, their family, neighbors and volunteers in communities during emergencies. Contact the Sheriff's Department for training dates.
EVIDENCE, THEFT, CONFISCATIONS AND IMPOUNDING	Information regarding items seized, confiscated or impounded during investigations can be obtained by calling the evidence clerk at the Sheriff's office during regular business hours. Items released only by court order or Sheriff's approval.
FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS	Currently, the Ohio County Sheriff's Department has two special grants. High-tech on-board computer systems (mobile data terminals) will be installed in most officers' cars to enable rapid information retrieval of driver's license and plates. Another grant will make available heat sensor equipment to locate potential suspects.
TRAINING, IN-SERVICE, AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS	All officers meet DOJ requirements of certification for peace officers with continuing education each year. Additional classes and participation in various programs are encouraged to connect the officers with community needs such as drug education, school programs and safety fairs.